

Anniversaries Daniel Breslin, Marjorie Haddon, Sheila Vincent (Hutchings), Mary Darleston Jim Hurley, Margaret Applegate, Susan 'Anne' Fallan, Martin Conway, Sam McCarrroll, Katie O'Connor, Albert Ashley, George Ward, Phylis Golby, Lorna Horsley, Anne Crawley, Doris Cad man, Margaret O'Connor, Joyce Todd, Joseph English, Rev Charles Ross, Rosemary Walker, Michael Joseph Ritchie, Bill McDonald, Tony Dott Raymond Chandler, Terence Albert Price, Oliver McDermott, Breeda Kiely

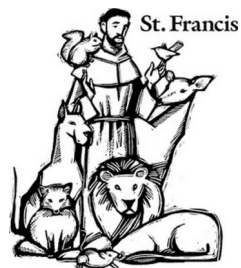
The sick and their carers -: Susan Basnett, Sheila Hill, Pat Sugrue, Liam Carroll, Graham Sheen, Richard Beardsley and Julie Wastie-Beardsley, Natalie Sugrue, Carmel, Mr Roe, Paul Tedds, Mary Evans, Ann Magee, Norman Barr, Peter Moore, Janet Pittam, Sue Owen, Jean Kimber, Lauren Glynn, Baby Florence, Tina & Baby, Rebecca Woodward, Natalie Brett, Wendy Williams, Nuala Nash, Sr Mary Veronica, Paul Wooding, Pat McKenna, Ronald Boote, Carmel Brady, Eddie Head, John Ison, Chris Ison, Pat Skerritt, Debbie Colby, Paul Jobling, Ean Conway, Pat Birch, Margaret Smith, James Pawsey, Janette Woodford, Oswin Kavanagh Jackson, Eileen Kennedy, James Walker, Gerry Burke, Julie Hughes, Bridie Cave, Sarah Higgins, Mary Adderley, Bridie Scally, Una McKeown, Brigid Reilly, Anthony Davis, Mary Rooney, Doreen Parry, Oliver Ball, Theresa Rose Tedds, Helen Taylor, Alicia (Babs) Fitzpatrick, Julia O'Keefe, Gabrielle Lynagh, Eamon Hurley, Mary Hannigan, Michael Ryan, Paul Culleton, Norma and Lester

Recently Deceased May they Rest in Peace

Mary Cameron (HF) Margaret O'Grady (HF) Mary Folliard (OLSH) Dympna Barber (HF) Andrew Bull (SF)

The Parishes operate in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Charlotte Culleton & Julie Sedgely. (Bedworth & Bulkington) Grainne Griffiths (Holy Family) contacted at: sg.sfoa.bedworth@rcaob.org.uk sg.hf.covty@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk

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St Francis



Holy Family



Our Lady of the Sacred Heart

Archdiocese of Birmingham Registered Charity 234216

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Saturday 18th January Weekend Mass Schedule for our Three Parishes

At St Francis		3-345 Rosary Exposition	Divine Mercy Confessions
At Francis	Mass	4 00pm	Liam Duncan RIP A
At Holy Family	Mass	5 00pm	People of the Parish

Sunday 19th January

At OLSH Mass	Mass	9 30 am	Benefactors of the DSFS
At Holy Family	Mass	10 00 am	Sp Int
At St Francis	Mass	11 30 am	Elizabeth Piper

Psalm: "Proclaim the wonders of the Lord among all the peoples"

Monday 20th Jan

OLSH Rosary 4 00 pm

Tuesday 21st Jan

At Holy Family Requiem 10 30 am Mary Cameron RIP
At OLSH 9 30am Communion and Word

Wednesday 22nd Jan

At Holy Family Mass 9 30 am Fr Sarves RIP
At St Francis 9 30 am Communion and Word

THURSDAY 23RD JAN

At OLSH Mass 9 30 am Mary Darlaston RIP 7th A

Friday 24th Jan

At St Francis Mass 9.30 am P J & Chrissie Stephenson RIP
At Holy Family Requiem 1.00pm Margeret O'Grady RIP

With Fr Jinse away until February 6th and given the inclement weather we have at present, also with a large number of funerals that are to take place in the parish over the next few weeks there will be changes to the Masses in the weekday this month.

SAT 25TH JAN WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

AT ST FRANCIS		3-345 Rosary Exposition	Divine Mercy Confessions
AT ST FRANCIS	MASS	4.00 PM	Mona McAtteer
At Holy Family	Mass	5 00 pm	Ursula Pearson RIP A

SUNDAY 26TH JANUARY

At OLSH	Mass	9 30 am	Tony Cox RIP
At Holy Family	Mass	10 00 am	Patrick Ahearn RIP
At St Francis	Mass	11.30 am	People of the Parish

OLSH Bulkington News

Over 50's

Meets in the Parish Hall 2nd Thursday of the Month

UCM

Next meeting Wednesday 22nd January in the Parish Hall 2 pm AGM and Shared table and bring and buy.

Parish Choir. Sing at the 9 30 am Mass every week. Thank you for the music!

BULKINGTON 100 CLUB

Numbers are available if you would like to join at £2.00 per month. The December draw took place at the UCM meeting last week and the numbers will be published next week! Prizes are £60, £25 and £15. See Janet Cooper. **Don't forget – Not in it? Can't win it!**

Reading Rota - Bulkington

If you would like to be added to or removed from this rota, please let me know by email, cogs3561@hotmail.com, phone 07900024385 Thank you.

Missio (Little red boxes) Darren Riddell has volunteered to take over

Knight of St Gregory.

Dr Joseph Booker will be given this Papal award by the Archbishop on Sunday 2nd February at OLSH at 12 noon Mass. We congratulate and celebrate with Eileen and Dr Joseph's family. There will be refreshments afterwards in the hall these will be invite only as their will be many guests and visiting priests coming for the celebration. Dr Joseph has been granted this honour in recognition of the contribution he has made to the diocese and beyond, acknowledging his work in Lourdes and to catholic life in society. We hope to get volunteers to help with the Mass and also with the tea's in the hall afterwards.

Sacramental preparation First Communion classes began on January 9th. Classes for Confirmation began on the same date. First Communion classes will run on Thursdays from 4.30 - 5.30 pm for Baptised Catholic children in Year 3 and above. Confirmation classes will follow from 5.30 - 6.30 pm for Baptised Catholic children in Year 6 and above. Please register your interest by email, cogs3561@hotmail.com or by phone 07900024385

The Nuneaton Catholic Disability Fellowship are holding Skittles and Games night at Bulkington Parish Hall on Friday 24th January 7pm. All are welcome, £2 per adult & £1 per child. Light refreshments are provided but please bring your own drinks and bites if you wish. Tickets can be purchased on the door.

ST FRANCIS BEDWORTH NEWS:

150th anniversary of the Catholic mission at St Francis Bedworth

The next fundraising for the parish will be in the new year events such as pancake tasting, sponsored walk, Easter raffle, and various other events throughout the year.

CHOIR

Looking forward to the 150 - year Celebration Mass with the Archbishop, we need to have a good choir. The school are more than happy to help with this but we do need adults as well. Nothing too difficult, a new Mass setting and hymns that will have a flavour of tradition and modern. The new Mass setting will be introduced at the 11.30 Sunday Mass in the New Year so that everyone will have the chance to learn and be familiar with all the singing on the day.

COMMUNION FOR THE SICK:

If anyone you know is sick or housebound and would like to receive Communion, please contact the Sisters — Tel: 07789088406

HOSPITAL VISITING:

If you have a relative in hospital, please let the staff know as, due to GDPR, they cannot ask. Arrangements can then be made for the chaplain to visit.

Before each weekday Mass, the Rosary will be said at 9.15am at OLSH and Bulkington. Tea and Coffee after Mass in OLSH on Sundays, and on Fridays' after Mass at St Francis

THE WEBCAM

THE WEBCAM HAS BEEN FIXED AND HAS MOVED TO A NEW HOME AT YOUTUBE THE LINKS ARE BELOW. THE EASIEST WAY TO GET THE WEBCAM IS TO GO TO THE HOLY FAMILY WEBSITE: [HTTPS://HF-COV.ORG.UK](https://hf-cov.org.uk) (OR TYPE HOLY FAMILY COVENTRY LIVESTREAM INTO GOOGLE) WHERE THERE IS A DIRECT LINK FOR THE LIVESTREAMING. ALL THREE CHURCHES WEBCAMS ARE AT THE SAME PLACE ON YOUTUBE. IF YOU HAVE A SMART TV YOU CAN WATCH THE WEBCAM VIA THE YOUTUBE APP. THE LINK FOR ST FRANCIS IS THE FOLLOWING: <https://www.youtube.com/live/I2PH2dyESxE?si=oqXbBySFOMWqmdPs>

The School Mass

On Friday we celebrated Mass at school and it was lovely, the children are learning to sing parts of the Mass in readiness for Confirmation, Holy Communion and the 150th anniversary in October. We are always encouraging our school families to come together at the weekend for Mass so as to nourish and help faith in Jesus to grow stronger and make a difference to our lives and those around us.

GENERAL NEWS OF INTEREST TO ALL THREE CHURCHES

JOINT PARISH PASTORAL FORUM/COUNCIL

There are 3 representatives from each parish, the sisters and clergy are also on the council. We are made up of three distinctive parishes, this group will explore ways of working closer together to engage more fully in the task of being Christ's body in our own time and place.

Confirmation 2024 Bishop Richard has been in touch, and the confirmation dates for the parish have been allocated. **Holy Family Wednesday February 12th St Francis Wednesday March 19th** Please pray for those preparing the children for the sacrament in and out of schools, and the children, their families and our parish family too.

Masses are LIVE STREAMED: Before each weekday Mass, the Rosary will be said at 9.15am. Masses at Holy Family, St Francis and OLSH are streamed live on YouTube.

Missalettes

There are now missalettes to help with following the Mass. Fr Patrick has a blog online that contains poems and reflections going back many years! You can visit it at www.humblepiety.blogspot.com

Balamma Satram Holy Family charity India.

Those who are suffering in the poorest places benefit from your support and all 3 parishes are welcome to support. All donations will help the poor directly.

His presence a blessing: Francis Thomson in his poem "The Hound of Heaven" very beautifully expressed the fear of a soul challenged to yield to God. He writes that he fled from God. "Down the nights and down the days; and the labyrinthine ways of my own mind..." and at one point he writes, "For though I knew God's love Who followed / Yet I was sore distressed, / Lest having Him, I must have nothing besides." — We often have an unexpressed and hidden fear that God's presence in our lives may become a hindrance or an embarrassment. We have a fear that, having God, we may have to give up many good things in life. Does God make the world grey with His breath? No! Not at all. Jesus is never an inconvenience. He is never an embarrassment in our lives. His presence is always a blessing.

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS: 12th January 2024

ST FRANCIS	BEDWORTH :	£481.02	+ Standing Orders
Our Lady of the Sacred Heart	BULKINGTON:	£457.02	+ Standing Orders
Holy Family	Coventry	£650.98	+ Standing Orders

Totals are inclusive of Gift Aid and Non Gift Aid envelope giving. They include donations given. Standing Orders vary week by week. Thank you for your generosity!

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM DEANERY DIOCESE AND BEYOND.

LGBTQ+ MEETINGS:

Members of the LGBTQ+, their friends and family meet on the 3rd Sunday of the month at Diamond House, Stoney Road Age 18+. more information, please contact Deacon Leo on 024 7641 9731 or dcn.leo.poole@rcaob.org.uk.

DEANERY YOUNG ADULTS GROUP MEETINGS:

St Osburg's, 7pm to 9pm. Meeting dates 28th January, 18th February, 11th March, 8th April, 13th May, 17th June. To find out more please email Fr Benedict fr.benedict.skipper@rcaob.org.uk.

RETREAT DAY FOR EXTRORDINARY MINISTERS:

Saturday 22nd March 22nd 9:30am – 1pm at St Thomas More's.

DAY FOR READERS

Coventry and Nuneaton Deanery are organising a reader's day consisting of Mass, Eucharistic Adoration and talks on Saturday 25th January 2025 from 9.30am–1pm at St Mary's and St Benedict's Catholic Church, 52a Raglan Street, Coventry, CV1 5QF. Speakers include Fr Allen Morris and Fr Stephen Fawcett. Soup and sandwiches will be provided.

Jubilee Icon Now in the Archdiocese of Birmingham

The official Jubilee icon is visiting three locations in the Archdiocese over the next two weeks. In order to celebrate and commemorate the Jubilee year 2025, Pilgrims of Hope, CAFOD commissioned an icon from artist Mulugeta Araya in Ethiopia, for the Catholic Church in England and Wales. The icon is visiting The Church of Blessed Dominic Baberi and Newman College in Littlemore, Oxford, from Wednesday 8 to Wednesday 15 January. It will be then moved to St Chad's Cathedral from Thursday 16 to Tuesday 21 January. The final stop will be St Teresa of the child Jesus, Trent Vale Stoke –on-Trent from Thursday 23 to Sunday 26 January.

Lourdes Pilgrimage

Booking now open for this year's Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage You are most welcome to join in this Jubilee Year as we journey to Lourdes in May. The pilgrimage runs from Saturday 24 - Friday 30 May 2025 with the theme: "With Mary, Pilgrims of Hope". If you would like to travel to Lourdes but in need of assistance help will be given. Assisted pilgrims have the support of doctors, nurses, carers and hospitaliers throughout their time on pilgrimage. You will participate fully in the pilgrimage and experience the love of God through the care, love and friendship of volunteers. Please contact the Lourdes Pilgrimage Office to discuss assistance requirements: 0121 230 6288

HOLY FAMILY NEWS:

Young at Heart: Thursday's 10 am in the Hall No Meeting until the gas repair has been done and heating restored. See next weeks newsletter for updates.

Langar Aid

All Donated food put in basket at back of church please. Thank you!

BAPTISMS

The next meeting to arrange baptisms is Tuesday 4th February 2024 at 7 00pm. For Bedworth and Bulkington Please contact the parish office.

Holy Family Coventry - YouTube Main Stream: <https://youtu.be/6HzIE4yIJoc>

100 Club

Numbers are always available please support.

Monday Parish Garden Volunteers.

Each Monday at 10 am

Church Cleaning

Last Friday each month at 5.pm

Extraordinary Ministers Rota

Saturday	18th Jan	Tony Stapleton
Sunday	19th Jan	See rota list on notice board at church.

Altar Serving.

If you wish to join our excellent group of servers please come into the sacristy before Mass and let Robert know.

Hall Car Park Gas Leak

Work will begin on Monday to dig up the Hall Carpark and replace the gas pipes it could take 5-7 days and it means that the car park will be closed from Monday morning If the gate is closed please do not open it as the work is essential to the repair of the hall. The hall is a major source of income for Holy Family and the loss of one paying group means a loss of income to the parish. The parish council have advised to have a set weekly income from all existing groups who use the hall. The cost of this work is in excess of £30, 000; In the current climate working together and being generous for the good of the parish is paramount. Keeping churches open requires all to pull together. I am grateful for donations received and for the increase that some parishioners have made to the offertory collections also. Giving is a beatitude and supports so much. Thank you to the £500 donation given by a parishioner to help with the cost of the repair.